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## PUSH IT TO A LAW

The Gerry Children's Bill to Be Introduced at Albany To-Day.

Assured Success of "The Evening World's" Crusade.

Unjust Commitments of Little Ones to Be Forever Prevented.

The new bill providing for review by a superior tribunal of commitment of children by police magistrates, drawn by too high, President Gerry, of the Children's Society, which was fully explained in yesterfrom its alarmingly high figure on Friday day's Evening World, is expected to be last, although it has not yet quite reached introduced in the Assembly to-day.

It will be offered by Assemblyman Andrus, of Buffalo, who is one of the most influential and prominent members of the lower House, having just been appointed by Speaker Husted Chairman of the Committee on Cities.

The bill will take the usual course and be referred immediately to the Judiciary Among those who have succumbed to La. Grippe and its attendant all ments was Mrs. Diana Dovey, who had been mother and nurse to thousands of poor dumb animals that had been seized by disease.

Mrs. Dovey was the wife of white-haired Benjamin G. Dovey, the dog, bird and the seize of the seiz Committee, which is composed of Messrs. Acker, of Steuben (Chairman) .: F. S. Johnson, of Wyoming: Towne, of Chautauqua; Whipple, of Cattaraugus; Peck,of and cat's physician, surgeon, druggist and taxidermist, at 26 West Fourth street. She was an Englishwoman, fifty-seven years old, and for many years she and her husband had kept a hospital for dumb Cortland; Deyo. of Broome; Stranahan, of Oswego; Greene, of Orange, Coons, of Schonarie; Henderson, of Herkimer, and Hudson, of Yates. It will probably be several days before

It will probably be several days before the Committee thoroughly organizes and settles down to business, so the measure will not be likely to come up for con-sideration this week; but as all arrange-ments have been made to advance the bill with the greatest possible despatch; the prospect is that it will be one of the first to become a law during the present

President Gerry, himself, will look after the measure as soon as it comes up in the Committee, and says that he has made arrangements to go up to Albany early next week to present his brief upon the subject, the main points of which have already been given in THE EVENING

WORLD.

"I anticipate very little opposition to the measure," said Mr. Gerry to-day, "especially now that I have so strong a supporter as THE EVENING WORLD. This will be likely to shut off considerable opposition that might otherwise be naturally expected from a class of legislators who never lose an opportunity to make political capital out of sand a fight.

"There will be no trouble whetever in the Senate Judiciary Committee, for Judge Robertson, the Chairman, is too good a lawyer not to appreciate the simplicity and completeness of the remedy proposed, and will secure a favorable report for the bill.

port for the bill.

"Then all that will remain to be done is to get the signature of the Governor, which will be given as a matter of course, and then we should have a law that will. I hope and believe, do away with all further trouble over this class of cases.

"Only three sections of the Code of Criminal Procedure are to be amended by the bill, and the clauses inserted are so brief that I wonder we have never thought of doing it before, it seems now so perfectly simple.

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"Any one who has and any experience in preparing drafts of bills knows how dangerous it is to make them too wordy and attempt to go into too many details.

"This always gives an opening for all sorts of objections, and if they become laws there is a chance that they may operate badly on account of ambiguities and

ate badly on account of amonguities and uncertainties of meaning in the language of the statute.

"I suppose I tore up a dozen drafts of this bill before I finally got it to suit me, and now," added Mr. Gerry, with some pride, "I think it would be rather diffi-

cult to improve upon it."

As the bill affects institutions all over the State there will undoubtedly be conthe State there will undoubtedly be con-siderable anxiety among the managers of the various asylums and children's homes to know exactly what the effect of the new law will be.

"I expect to receive fifty letters," said

Mr. Gerry, "as soon as it is known that the bill has been introduced, asking me what it means and demanding full particulars. I think the best thing for me to do would be to send them each a copy of The Evenisce World hen be able to see that there was no danger of disturbance."

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The three amendments spoken of provide, first, for the specific application of the law relating to appeals in criminal cases to the case of a child's commitment to an institution; second, for the service of the notice of appeal on the Superintendent or manager of an institution having the custody of the child, so that the institution may be heard on the the institution may be heard on the appeal; third, that pending such an appeal, the child shall remain in the cuaappeal; third, that pending such an appeal, the child shall remain in the custody of the institution.

If is also provided that the bill shall of the Legislature fluds its chief far from

not become a law until thirty days after it has received the signature of the Governor, which will give the police magistraces and justices an opportunity to pre-pare themselves for the new order of

things.

One of the greatest advantages to be derived from the new bill will be that it will make police magnitudes much more careful and thorough in their investigation of a case of commutment, most of the trouble in the past having arisen from carelesness and lack of proper inquiry at this stage of the proceedings.

### BEFORE GOV. HILL.

Sports Ask to Se Protected from the Mississippi Authorities.

ALBANT, Jan. 13.-Civil Justice Peter Mitchell, of New York City, as counsel for Prof. Mike Donovan, William Harding, Charles Johnston and James Wakely, who sippl, charged with aiding and abetting the Sullivan-Kilrain fight at Eichburg, Miss., Sullivan-Kilrain fight at Richburg, Miss. appeared before Gov. Hill this afternoon and requested him not to allow the prisoners to be taken out of the State. He cisimed that the indiciments against these four men are defective, inasmuch as, while charging his elients with aiding and abetting the fight, the papers do not show in what manner they so aided or abetted.

He said these four men went to the scene of the light in the capacity of spectators, and that by no act, officially or unofficially, were they connected with the contest in any way. Mr. Mitchell will submit authorities to the Governor touching similar cases. All of the man were present at the hearing with the exception of Harding.

ithe heaviest share of the blows.

In the Assembly the laughter at members whose injents were buried was the feature among the seats during the announcement of the committees.

In the Senate, Sena or Cantor made a speech setting forth the current Democratic indignation over the small proportion of committee representation allotted to the minority.

## LA GRIPPE VISITS VASSAR. KNIFFIN'S MOTHER-IN-LAW. CLEVELAND'S

Twenty-Five Pretty Graduates Wrest- A Witness at the Inquest on Her The Convicted, Death-Threatened Mur-Murdered Daughter.

vife last Thursday week is still untraced. and that the detect vesseem utterly destithan six weeks, and that, whether the weather be cold and clear or warm and tute of clues upon which to work, is severely commented upon.

muggy, the epidemic has about concluded Justice Matheson's story of how Dr. Dr. Nagle concurs, except that he thinks Sharnon attempted to impede investiga-Dr. Edson has put the number of victims tion has been a fruitful source of censure, and Shannon is now eyed with a great

The death rate has steadily declined deal of suspicion, It is thought here that Shannon has withheld some information which might help the case of the prosecution.

ts normal condition.

The health authorities agree that there An Evening World reporter called this The health authorities agree that there are still between fifty thousand and sixty thousand sufferers with the malady at the present time. Of these 27s are policemen, and thus far the epidemic has dallied with \$25 of the blue-coats. The hospitals are getting but slight respite from their glutted condition during the past two morning at Dr. Kniffin's house, 206 Broad street. The blinds were closed and there was no reply to the reporter's ring at the

The reporter went into Patterson's drug store and Dr. Kniffin was seen walking in the back yard.

He wore no overcost, but had turned up the collar of his cutsway coat. He walked with a short, nervous step, and carried his head in a way that showed his neck was still very stiff from his attempt at suicide. He walked into the drug store to speak to Druggist Patterson and the reporter questioned him alout the story that the life of his murdered wife was insured for a considerable amount. WON'T SPEAK OF THE INSURANCE.

years old, and for many years she and her husband had kept a hospital for dumb animais.

They were widely known professionally, and had many patients from all over the country. Mrs. Dovey died of pneumonia, brought on by the influenza.

Edward Mouahan, who lived at 253 Bowery, cut his throat last night while delirious with La Grippe and was dead when found by his brother. Thomas Monshan, of 9 Frince street, the former leader of the Sixty-ninth Hegiment Band.

Edward was fifty-two years old. A few days ago he was attacked by the malady, but he was convaleacent yesterday, though disheartened and despondent.

At 6 o'clock Thomas received a note from him, saying: "When you come I will be dead." He hastened to his brother's home and found him lying dead on the floor.

Commissioner of Accounts Maurice J. Holahan is down with La Grippe.

J. Romaine Brown, the real estate man, is seriously ill with influenza at his home. One Hundred and Fifty-second street near the Boulevard.

Antonius Pastor, of Fourteenth street, has it, and Day Collyer and Johnny Wild, of the Comedy Theatre, in Eighth street, are flat on their backs with the malady.

Ex-Senator George W. Plunkett and Alderman Charles H. Duffy are confined to their homes by sovere attacks of the influenza.

Deputy Warden Mark Finley, of the Tomba, is convalescent, though Principal keeper McDermott is still performing his duties.

District Attorney John Fleming, of Onesca County is ill with Le Grippe.

"Doctor," said the reporter, 'it is reported that there was a large insurance on Mrs. Kniffin's life. Will you tell me whether it is true?"

"I don't care for the newspapers or what they say," answered Dr. Kniffin with a wave of the hand. "You will oblige me by not asking any questions. I will not answer them. I don't intend to say anything. Good morning," and the accused man disappeared through a rear door.

LAWYER BARTON DENIES IT. LAWYER BARTON DENIES IT.

Lawyer Barton, his counsel, was seen life was insured.

EXHUMING THE BODY.

Mrs. Kniffin's body is to be exhumed at Mount Pleasant to day in order to remove the lungs.

Prof. Cornwall had analyzed the parts sent to him and has asked for additional parts. County Physicum Leavittis going over to Millerd to-day to perform the work of removing them. The lungs are to be examined in order to find out whether there are traces of ether or chloroform.

Maggie Thompson, his victim, was but half his years—a bright, pretty little girl of eight, at once the daughter and the pride of Jacob Thompson.

Her family lived but a few doors from Otto's home and she knew the boy at least by sight.

On the 5th day of last May Maggie street school, only two blocks from her chloroform.

be means, among other things, that the important Gities Committee in each branch of the Legislature finds its chief far from the biggest city end of the State; the Assembly Committee having it Chairman in Andrus, of Frie County, and the Senate of Mondaga.

On the Assembly Committee New York has Gitied and Senate of the State of

THE famous K-WHEN BALSAM is growing more oppolar stary day as a "Grippe" killer, "a"

derer of Maggie Thompson.

last Friday, which stamped the boy as guilty of murder in the first degree. The date for his execution is set at April 16, but there is yet pending an ap-

The crime which has made young



OTTO LEUTH. able to the highest and gravest punish ment for which the law provides, stands as one of the most revolting in all the history of wicked things.

At an age when his boyhood should have been at its brightest, he became guilty of a deed so black that even a pre viously and deeply degraded criminal would have been dyed infinitely darker in soul by its commission. Murder is always violent, always fear

ful, but it was not this violent and fearful thing alone which Otto did. First he attacked innocence, and when

by force he failed to shatter it he stained his hands with childish blood. Maggie Thompson, his victim, was but

It was 10,20 o'clock this morning when
Coroner Bowers entered the court-room
and continued the inquest.

Mrs. Mary Ann Murphy. Mrs. Kniffin's
mother, was the first witness cailed to
testify. She is an old lady and appears
very feeble. She was dressed in deep
mourning. She answered the questions
put to her in a very low and tremulous
tone.

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was never again seen alive.
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mystery which perplexed Clevelaud's police and the best detective service eise
where, while some private citizens even
gave up business matters of their own to
join in the unavsiting search for certain
clues.

an ugly pass with a knife at a clerk in a such is the story.

Store where he was employed.

In the case of his girl victim, he made opened a gorgeous

In the case of his girl victina he made thorough work, for when the body was recovered the skull was found to have been broken in at the forehead in three places, one wound being over the right eye, one on the left frontal hone, close by the hair, and one in the left temple. The jaw was also broken and the light arm had been torn off at the elbow.

The funeral of the little girl was from St. Augustine's Catholic Church and hundreds of people attended, many drawn by curiosity.

curiosity.

Six little girls dressed in white followed the coffin and there was a profusion of flowers, sent by sympathizing friends The hig father of the murdered child was painfully agusted during the cere-mony. Mrs. Ti ompson seeming to bear up much more bravely than her husband.

# GALLOPING STORM

Part of the Record of Death They Left Behind Them.

Four dead at St. Louis. Ten dead at Clinton, Ky. One dead at Olney, Ill. One dead in Rochester and Syracus

half his years-a bright, pretty little girl whirlwind, and got no idea of how it

called an army of whirlwind and hurricane forces, the detachments of which started for home, leaving the Tremont street school, only two blocks from her father's house in Merchant avenue, at the usual noon hour of dismissal.

She did not reach the house and she was never again seen alive.

For a month her disappearance was the mystery which perplexed Cleveland's police and the best detective service else.

Columbus, Cleveland, Erie, Pa.; Buffalo, Bookester, Syracuse and Oswego.

Service Microsoft with a contract of the property of the prope

Appointed Superintendent of Public Buildings in This City.

John W. Marshall has been appointed ceed William A. Fryer, resigned, in New hurt ised to give her one if she would go with him into the house.

The unthinking child followed the young brute upstairs and there he at tempted to assault her. Failing, he picked up a heavy hammer and struck the child down.

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Then be covered up the body and left the house. For a week he did rot sleep in the bouse, and at the oud of that time carried the body to the cellar.

Otto's confession threw his mother into hysterics, and she was taken home prosturated and almost insane.

Bince his confession and until his trial effices. Her Five Score Years and Four.

opened a gorgeous new temple to Pacchus he sent a bullet through Carlos's hat. ast night at 77 and 79 Park Row. But | The burglar was James Thompson, the opening and the closing may come crook known by the sliss of "Toby." close together, so far as Brogan is concerned.

About midnight, when the spacious saloon was a scene of joy and convivialty, and its throng of 'openera' were for the hundredth time drinking to the long life and prosperity of the ex-Assemblyman, the penderous form of the latter tumbled headleng down the cellar stairs and lay metionless at the bottom.

An ambulance was hastily summoned, and Surgeon Welles, of Chambers Street Hospital, found that Mr. Brogan had suffered a fracture at the base of the skull. Capt. Brogan was a large man, weighing 250 pounds.

He was removed to the hospital and his wife was summoned from their home, 184 wife was removed to the hospital and his hand, one cartridge being left ready for use.

He was removed to the bospital and his wite was summoned from their home. 184 Mulberry street. A priest was at once called in to perform the last offices for the dying, for poor Biogan's injuries were such that death supeared to be inevitable.

John C. Brogan had been for many years a popular Tammany Brave in the Third Assembly or "Hour-Glass" District. He was Assemblyman from that district in 1875 and again in 1885.

Mr. Brogan served through the war in the Fifth or Durves Zouaves, coming out with the rank of Captain.

He opened the sulcon afterwards purchased and new owned by Steve Brodie, on the Bowery, and afterwards had a sation on at Third avenue and Fifty-eighth street.

A fire in Leopold Kann's butcher shop,

Clark, Principal of Albion Academy, is dead of hydronhobia, believed to be the re-sult of the bite of a cat received last March.

[SPECIAL TO THE SVENING WORLD, ] MILWAUERE, Jan. 14. -Mrs. Jane Geoggle died at the County Hospital last night, at the age of 198 years.

revolver at the policeman, the neares Ex-Assemblyman John C. Brogan he came to scoring was with the last, when

Thompson climbed over the transom at the door of Charles Kohldorf's saloon, About midnight, when the spacious 927 Myrtle avenue, about I o'clock this

Districts Where Republican Brethren

Do Not Dwell in Unity.

Republican local politicians find the atmosphere heavily charged with electricity to-day. The generating cause is the holding of primaries in all the Assembly districts to choose members of the County Committees. District Associations. Harmony is expected to prevail to on the Bowery, and afterwards had a sation at Third avenue and Fifty-eighth street.

The Park Row House was opened by Mr. Brogan yesterday under the most favorable and tore and whirled across 1,000 miles of United States territory within the last few days.

New York caught but the edge of the whirlwind, and got no idea of how it raged at the western and northern end of the State as it passed rapidly on its transcontinental way.

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The Park Row House was opened by Mr. Brogan gesterday under the most favorable austications, and the unstained cherry finished barroom was thronged last night with prominent downtown politicians. Among them were ex-Aldermen Divver, Fariev and Kirk: Assemblymen Divver, Fariev and Kirk: Assemblymen Divver, Fariev and Kirk: Assemblymen and others.

At midnight Mr. Brogan started to descend the steep temporary stairs to the cellar, when he made a misstep in the dark and fell with the result as stated.

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Stephen N. Simonson heading the rival NEW YORK SURE TO GET IT. Stephen N. Simonson he and his friends are confident that they can run the machine in a more generally acceptable manner to themselves and the party than Mr. Dem-So Says Mayor Grant of Gotham's arest. Simonson fell outside the breast works last year, and will have the benefit of experience should the same misfortune befall him to-day.

The election will take place in Germania Hail. Fiftieth street and Ninth avenue, and the poils are open from 9 a.

Convenia, S. C., Jan. 13.—Gov. Richardson has to-day offered a reward of \$500 502 F.rst avenue, did \$500 damage this for the apprehension of David Ready, white, Superintendent of Public Buildings to sucbuilding out of their beds. Nobody was our to be factor of the factor of the factor. He took william flack, a negro charged with theft.

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Militon, Wis., Jan. 14.—Prof. Charles A. Militon, Wis., Jan. 14.—Prof. Charles A. Principal of Albion Academy, is called the factor of the

Ruin in the Candy Trade. Confectioner Adolph Hubner, of 141 Narsau street, manipued to-day to Leon S. Tucker, giving preferences or \$5,570. They Bring Natural Color

to sheek sat lips. Canran's Inon Pilla.

PRICE ONE CENT.

2 O'CLOCK.

# **WEIR DIDN'T LAST**

Billy Murphy's Blows Finished Him in the Fourteenth.

A Lively Fight Which Began the Spider's Own Way.

The Feather-Weight Championship and \$2,500 to the Winner.

(SPECIAL TO THE SYRKING WORLD.) SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14 .- The post poned feather-weight match between Ike Weir, the Belfast Spider, and Billy Murphy, the Australian champion, eame off last night in the gymnasium of the California Athletic Club.

The betting at the start was 100 to 80 to the Australian's favor. The fight was to decide the featherweight championship of the world, was

for \$2,500, and resulted in Weir's being knocked out in the fourteenth round. Weir weighed in at 124% pounds, Muzphy at 118% pounds. Hiram Cook was the referee. Time was

called at 8. 35, but a little time was lost in getting to work. The first round showed some rapid ex-

Towards the end of the head, knocking the Australian across the stage.

Round 7—Murphy came up fresh and kept on trying to reach Weir, but without success, Weir receiving hardly any punishment.

In rounds 5, 9, 10 and 11, it began to look as though Murphy could never hit Weir, the latter seeming to touch Murphy up at will.

Round 12 was a hard one. Murphy forced matters, but was terribly punished and appeared to be tiring.

Round 15—Murphy came up with a rush, and some terrible fighting was done. The work was too much for Weir, however, and he dropped suddenly to the floor apparently exhausted. From this until the end of the round he was reseatedly knocked down.

Round 14—Weir rallied, but could not stand the force of the Australian's rush, and after a moment's fighting he was knocked down, and remained there exhausted and unable to come to time.

Up to the thirteenth round the fight seemed a one-sided affair and wholly in Weir's favor.

attacked by influenza. Pneumonia super vened and terminated fatally.

Balfour Ill with Influenza. LONDON, Jan. 14.-A. J. Holfour, Chie Secretary for Ireland, is ill with influence. The Importation of Champagns

uso the United States during the last ten puess was 2, 454,304 same, comprising 20 different brands, of which over one-frestly wes "48, it. Mymn's Elina Day," whose imperis sameded that of any other bran 2 by over 200,000 cases.

Tap K-Wans Hamapone, infallible ours for home

eame on, about six weeks ago. Otto has remained in jail and has exhibited most of the time a cooliness and indifference not less remarkable than his crime was hideous. At first, however, he meaned and cried and begged that he might kill himself.

Even the time during which the jury was out, before tringing in the verdict last Friday, the boy spent in smoking, eating and playing cards.

Yet before his terrible deed in May he had never given signs of deprayed instincts.

BROGAN'S TERRIBLE FALL. FOUR SHOTS AT AN OFFICER.

A Misstep on Dark Stairs May Cost life.

In Ex-Assemblyman's Life.

Tragle End of the Brilliant Open-Caught with His Plunder and stincts. ling With the Malady. Dr. Cyrus Edson Says the Scourge Exhuming the Remains at Mount Story of the Infamous Crime That Lodged in Jall for Trial, ing " of a Park Row Saloon. He was a slender boy, barely passing 514 Stained His Young Hands.

He was a slender boy, berely passing 5% feet in height and weighing perhaps one hundred and twenty pounds. He was a fairly creditable pupil in school, apt in patternation, and with considerable must call talent, being a good you hist.

His eyes were small and brown, his nose large and straight, his under lip theker than the upper and lapping it in leker than the upper and lapping it in the state of high physical health and strength to a best of suffering and probable speedy thankful, though a good deal surprised, that he is alive to-day. He served as a tried, which stayped the boy as all ghtly. Stained His Young Hands. Has Nearly Run Its Course. Pleasant To-Day. Dr. Cyrus Edson, of the Health Depart. DEPCTAL TO THE STERING WORKS. TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 14. - The flight ment, says with considerable confidence of time has not tended to decrease public that the epidemic of influenza has nearly interest in the Kniffin mystery. run its course, and that there have been That the cruel murderer of the dentist's al ghity.

It is not a quick temper, and once made ministrations of black-robed priests—though the latter fired four shots from a 200,000 cases during the past five weeks. He savs such epidemics never run more